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25X1 1. The Albanian security service until the Tito-Cominform dispute was in the hands of UDB. Since the dispute, however, it has been taken over by the Bulgarians and, in higher echelons, by the Soviets. These Bulgarian and Soviet authorities in Albania are at present purging the Moslem-Albanian intelligentsia.

2. The area from Vlone to Sezeno (the straits of Otranto), until the Yugoslav-Cominform dispute, was under the jurisdiction of Yugoslav military units; at present it is occupied by Soviet troops.

3. At Sezeno a submarine base has been blasted in the rocks, permitting submarines direct access from the sea.

4. Albanian coastal authorities have a very strong reconnaissance system with telephone connections between individual reconnaissance posts.

5. Albania presently has serious motor vehicle difficulties, caused in part, by the increasing tire shortage.

6. The Soviets shipped flour and flour products (amount unspecified) to Albania [redacted]

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